

Appl. 10/784,680  
Reply to Office Action of March 22, 2006

### REMARKS

The Examiner has requested that the Applicant elect a single claimed invention for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, the Applicant elects the invention claimed in Group I, which includes claims 1-9, without traverse.

The Examiner has also requested that the Applicant elect a single species of the "flexible material" and "sling connector." The applicant elects "reinforced rubber" for the flexible material and "metal ring" for the sling connector without traverse.

### CONCLUSION

The Examiner is welcome to call the attorney of record, Frank W. Compagni, at (801) 478-0071 if further discussion of this matter is warranted. Should any other additional adverse action be necessary on the application, the Examiner is also welcome to contact Mr. Compagni so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,



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